

Developing a Comprehensive Plan to Improve Outcomes for Youth: State Team Planning Template

The goal of this planning session is for state teams to determine what steps are needed to develop a comprehensive statewide plan that meets key criteria to improve outcomes for youth, and to advance the adoption and/or effective implementation of this plan when they return to their state.

For each of the criteria below, which are essential to any comprehensive statewide plan, please identify the current status, barriers, and opportunities for improvement.

Key Criteria	Status	Barriers	Opportunities for Improvement
Establishes baseline recidivism rates and provides targets for improvement			
Aligns system policies and practices with the research on “what works”			
Demonstrates the support of the governor, legislative and judicial leaders, and representatives of local government			
Positions state and local officials to track the implementation (and impact) of the statewide plan			

NEXT STEPS. *Each state team should be able to complete the steps outlined below within 8 weeks of the forum's conclusion. To ensure progress on these steps, please identify key action items, timelines, and responsible parties for each.*

1. Establish or charge an existing interbranch group of government leaders to advance a statewide plan to improve outcomes for youth

Key Actions	Timeline	Responsible Parties

2. Identify one or two individuals designated by the governor and legislative and judicial leaders to chair this group

Key Actions	Timeline	Responsible Parties

3. Use checklists (provided by the CSG Justice Center) to assess the extent to which the state's policies, practices, and funding adhere to what the research shows is effective

Key Actions	Timeline	Responsible Parties

4. Determine what steps need to be taken to develop or implement an existing statewide plan that addresses the results of the self-assessment and positions state leaders to track progress

Key Actions	Timeline	Responsible Parties

5. Identify how the state will make use of the resources announced at the forum to support the advancement of the statewide plan

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